has constituted a Committee under the Chairmanship of Shri J.M. Lyngdoh, Former Chief Election Commission to frame guidelines on all matters relevant and pertaining to elections to students' union in universities and colleges. The Committee has been asked to submit its report by 3rd May, 2006.

Education survey on children by NCERT

146. SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the NCERT had found that the low level of learning in the 6-13 age group and had also foreseen the learning problem with students in Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan Schools recently;

(b) if so, the details thereof State-wise, mentioning the details for urban and rural areas and boys and girls separately;

(c) the reasons therefor;

(d) whether his Ministry has already put in place a mechanism for strict monitoring of the results of which would be made public by July, 2006;

(e) if so, the details of such mechanism put in place;

(f) whether his Ministry, considering the importance of teachers, is monitoring the account of teachers profile, experience, motivation level, pre-service and in-service experience; and

(g) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) to (g) The National Council for Educational Research and Training conducted an Achievement Survey of Class-V whose report, furnished in 2005 indicates mean achievement levels of 46.7% in Mathematics and 58.3% in Language. Mean achievement level of boys in Mathematics and Language was 46.9 and 58.94 respectively. Mean achievement level of girls in Mathematics and Language was 46.09 and 58.79 respectively. Mean achievement level of urban students in Mathematics and Language was 47.32 and 61.63 respectively. Meach achievement level of rural

students in mathematics and Language was 46.15 and 57.67 respectively. State-wise information is given in the Statement (*See* below).

Under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan, to overcome the barriers hindering learning achievement levels of students, several activities have been undertaken to improve the quality of elementary education. This includes recruitment of 4.92 lakh additional teachers to improve the pupil teacher ratio, in service training of about 30 lakh teachers for a period of 20 days each year, free distribution of text books for primary and upper primary classes to about 5.02 crore SC, ST and girl students, regular academic support to primary and upper primary schools through 7422 Block Resource Centres and 70735 Cluster Resource Centres, regular evaluation of students and monitoring of school performance.

In addition, the Government of India with the help of the National Council of Educational Research and Training, has recently operationalised a quarterly quality monitoring system to monitor, *inter-alia*, student attendance, teacher availability in schools, classroom practices and academic supervision provided by Cluster and Block Resource Centres to schools and teachers.

In addition, an annual computerized database system which, *inter alia*, covers details on educational and professional qualifications of teachers, is available at http://www.dpepmis.org

Statement

Baseline assessment of grade 5 Mathematics and language

State/UT	Mathematics Mean	Language Mean
1	2	3
Andhra Pradesh	43.53	54.83
Arunachal Pradesh	53.47	61.33
Assam	40.03	49.16
Bihar	62.62	65.22
Chhattisgarh	38.36	49.69
Delhi	48.2	63.15

1	2	3
Goa	30.48	44.68
Gujarat	48.36	56.18
Haryana	53.33	60.45
Himachal Pradesh	34.41	49.99
Jammu and Kashmir	36.3	49.59
Karnataka	46.03	58.63
Kerala	35.9	54.99
Madhya Pradesh	49.03	58.25
Maharashtra	44.32	62.12
Manipur	74.46	73.39
Mizoram	41.07	66.91
Nagaland	45.71	59.55
Orissa	46.95	60.73
Punjab	49.37	58.05
Rajasthan	49.37	60.65
Sikkim	40.66	50.26
Tamil Nadu	58.37	71.09
Tripura	52.71	63.79
Uttar Pradesh	37.81	50.20
Uttaranchal	38.83	56.35
West Bengal	60.11	70.67
Andaman and Nicobar Islands	40.69	54.49
Chandigarh	44.98	55.99
Pondicherry	36.59	59.23

FDI in Uplinking of TV Channels

147. SHRIMATI S.G. INDIRA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have decided Foreign Direct Investment of 26 per cent to include investment by Foreign Institutional